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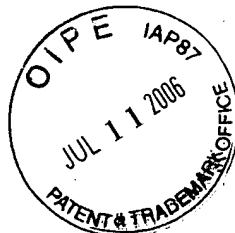
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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/696,934	10/30/2003	Xinming Shao	2448-000011	1038

TITLE OF INVENTION: FRICTION MATERIAL CONFIGURATION AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURE FOR BRAKE APPLICATIONS

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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EXAMINER	ART UNIT	CLASS-SUBCLASS
KRAMER, DEVON C	3683	188-25000B

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL  
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Application Number	10/696,934
Filing Date	October 30, 2003
First Named Inventor	Xinming Shao et al.
Examiner Name	Devon C. Kramer
Art Unit	3683
Attorney Docket No.	2448-00011

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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

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Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)  
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)  
Multiple dependent claims

Small Entity	
Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
50	25
200	100
360	180

**Total Claims**      **Extra Claims**      **Fee(\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**

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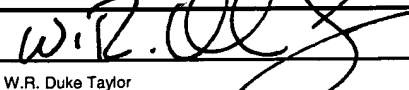
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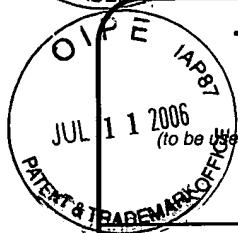
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Attorney Docket No. 2448-000011

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